



A PROCLAMATION

Against such as have gone to or stayed in France since Her Majesties Gracious Indemnity.

A N N E By the Grace of GOD Queen of Great-Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, To Our Lyon King at Arms and his Brethren, Heralds, Maces of Our Privy Council, Pursewards, Messengers at Arms, our Sheriffs in that part conjunctly and severally specially constitute, Greeting : *Forasmuch as* on the occasion of Our late gracious Indemnity, several persons who were not only guilty of having gone to and stayed in France, or the Dominions belonging to the French King, contrary to our Laws and Acts of Parliament, but also who have continued to stay and abide there since the sixteenth day of March last, the date of our said Indemnity, notwithstanding of Our Denunciation of War against the French King and his Subjects, forbidding all Intercommuning or Corresponding with them, or any other Our declared Enemies, do presume at their own hand to return into this Kingdom, where they may prosecute their evil and wicked practices. Therefore We with Advice of Our privy Council, Do hereby strictly prohibite and discharge all that have gone to or stayed in France or any of the Dominions belonging to the French King, since the foresaid sixteenth day of March, the date of our said Indemnity, or do still remain there contrary to Our said Denunciation of War and Laws and Acts of Parliament. That they presume not to return to this Kingdom, without leave first obtained from Us or Our Privy Council, under the pain of being reputed, adjudged and punished as Intercommuners and Corresponders with Our declared Enemies, and under the other pains contained in Our saids Acts of Parliament ; And We with Advice foresaid, Do hereby Require and Command all Sheriffs and their Deputs, and Stewarts and their Deputs, and all Baillies of Regality, Magistrates of Burghs, with all other interior Judges & Officers of Our Laws, That they be careful to apprehend & secure the persons of such as shall presume to return contrary to this Proclamation, or are guilty of the foresaid Intercommuning and Corresponding with Our saids declared Enemies, and make known the same, and present the saids persons to our Privy Council, that they may be punished according to their deservings, and We do further Require all Our good Subjects, to discover and dilate the foresaid Transgressors, to the effect they may be secured and punished accordingly, and that upon their highest perill. *Our Will is Herefore, and We Charge you strictly and Command, that incontinent this Our Letters seen, ye pass to the Mercat Cross of Edinburgh, and remanent Mercat Crosses of the Head-burghs of the respective Shires and Stewartries within this Kingdom, and thereat in Our Name and Authority by open proclamation make publication hereof, that none may pretend ignorance, and ordains these presents to be printed, and our Solicitors to dispatch Copies hereof to the several Sheriffs, Stewarts, and Magistrates for publication as said is:*

Given under Our Signet at our palace of Holy-Rood-house the 27 of July and of Our Reign the second Year 1703.

Per Actum Dominorum Secreti Concilii.

GILB: ELLIOT *Clk. Sti. Concilii.*

GOD Save the QUEEN.